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1 ~~42.~~ (once amended) The method of Claim ~~41~~ 17 where said step of
2 disposing said separable elongate tip portion disposes [a] said helix with a
C3 3 cylindrical envelope.

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1 ~~45.~~ (once amended) The apparatus of Claim 44 [wherein said] further
2 comprising a stainless steel segment comprises a coil having a proximate and
3 distal end and [is] connected at its proximate end to said core wire and
4 connected at its distal end to said elongate tip portion of said apparatus.

1 ~~46.~~ (once amended) The apparatus of Claim [44] ~~45~~ 24 23 wherein said coil
2 defines an interior space, said interior space being free and unreinforced.

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1 ~~48.~~ (once amended) The apparatus of Claim ~~47~~ 24 23 wherein said long and
2 flexible segment of said elongate tip portion has a length such that when
3 disposed in said body cavity it assumes a form which [and sufficient to]
4 substantially impedes flow of fluid in said body cavity.

Remarks

Claims 1 - 24 were original in the application. Claims 2 - 6 and 8 - 24
were canceled by a first preliminary at the time of filing of the application. Claims

1 and 7 were canceled by a second preliminary amendment and Claims 25 - 48 added. Claims 33 and 43 have been canceled by the present amendment.

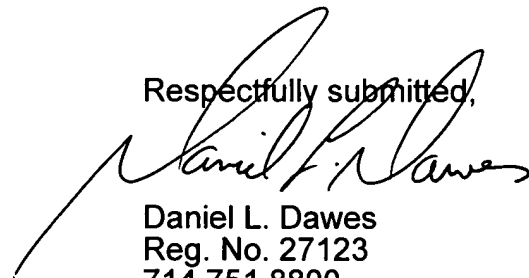
The present amendment responsively amends Claims 32, 40, 41, 42, 45, 46 and 48 in conformity with the Examiner's rejections under 35 USC 112.

The specification has been amended to reflect the parentage of the present application and the current status of each of the related applications.

Accompanying the present amendment is a terminal disclaimer of Claims 25 - 32, 34 - 42, and 44 - 48 over U.S. Patent 5,122,136. The Regents of the University of California have been assigned 100% of the interest in the application, a true and correct copy of which assignment is attached as Exhibit 1 and which is currently being recorded in the Patent Office.

The claims are now believed to be set forth in a form suitable for allowance. Advancement of the claims to issuance is respectfully requested.

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